

Remarks

All of pending claims 42 through 48 and 50 through 57 have been rejected as unpatentable for double patenting of the obviousness type based on commonly owned U.S. Patent No. 6,752,948. Applicant submits with this amendment a Terminal Disclaimer to obviate this rejection. Independent Claims 42 and Claims 43 through 47, all of which depend on Claim 42, and independent Claim 54 and Claims 55 through 57, all of which depend on Claim 54, are not otherwise rejected. Claim 42 has been amended to add a semicolon at the end of clause (b). Thus, all of pending Claims 42 through 47 and 54 through 57 should be in condition for immediate allowance.

Claim 53 has been rejected as indefinite and Applicant has cancelled this claim.

The remaining independent Claim 48 and dependent Claim 51 have been rejected as unpatentable over Cooper et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,375,880) and Almquist et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,141,680), considered separately. Remaining Claims 49, 50, and 52, all of which, along with Claim 51, depend from Claim 48, have been rejected as unpatentable over Cooper et al., considered separately.

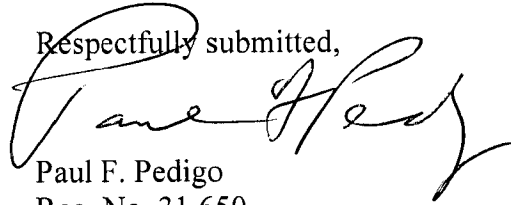
Applicants have amended independent Claim 48 to clarify that at least one of the heat transfer media is the liquid non-curable phase change composition. Thus, the heat transfer media includes the liquid non-curable phase change composition and another media selected from air and water. This amendment is supported in the specification at paragraphs 50 and 55.

The Cooper et al. and Almquist et al. references do not disclose or suggest a heat transfer medium of liquid non-curable phase change composition, whether considered alone or in combination. All of pending Claims 42 through 48 and 50 through 57 should now be in condition for immediate allowance and an early indication of allowability is earnestly solicited.

The Applicants are unaware of any fees due for claims submitted in this Amendment. If additional fees are required or if any credits are due, the Examiner is hereby authorized to charge or credit Deposit Account No. 50-0332 as appropriate.

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Respectfully submitted,

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